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SUBJ: POSSIBLE CHANGE IN AUSTRALIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD U.S. ROLE  
IN TTPI

1. DURING LAST WEEK'S VISIT OF STANLEY CARPENTER, DIRECTOR OF TERRITORIAL AFFAIRS, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR TO CANBERRA, DISCUSSIONS AT DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INDICATED POSSIBILITY OF CHANGE IN AUSTRALIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD U.S. ROLE IN TTPI. SUBJECT CAME UP IN GENERAL DISCUSSION OF U.S. ACTIONS TOWARD GIVING TTPI INDEPENDENT OR COMMONWEALTH STATUS. JOHN HOYLE, ASST SEC, PACIFIC AND WESTERN DIVISION, DFA, NOTED THAT CURRENT LABOR GOVERNMENT AND PRIME MINISTER WHITLAM, IN PARTICULAR, HAVE ADOPTED "ANTI-COLONIALIST" ATTITUDE. HOYLE IMPLIED THAT ONCE PAPUA NEW GUINEA ACHIEVES ITS INDEPENDENCE (NOW SCHEDULED FOR DEC. 1, 1974) AUSTRALIA'S ATTITUDE TOWARD U.S. ROLE IN TTPI COULD CHANGE DRAMATICALLY. IN DISCUSSING FORTHCOMING APPEARANCE OF GOA AND USG BEFORE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL OF UN, IT WAS NOTED THAT THIS MIGHT BE AUSTRALIA'S LAST APPEARANCE BEFORE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL. IMPLICATION AGAIN WAS THAT AUSTRALIAN ATTITUDE MIGHT BE AMENABLE TO FURTHER CHANGE WHEN IT NO LONGER HAD TO APPEAR BEFORE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL.

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2. FORTHCOMING MEETING OF TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL MAY GIVE U.S.

DELEGATION OPPORTUNITY TO PROBE MORE DEEPLY INTO POSSIBLE  
CHANGE IN AUSTRALIAN ATTITUDE ON THIS SUBJECT.  
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